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REMARKS

This paper responds to the "Notice Requiring Excess Claim Fees" mailed April 28, 2006. As noted above, claim 31 as submitted on April 7, 2006 (received by the Office on April 11th) included a typographical error that caused the claim to be counted as "independent." As a result of this error, the Office counted five (5) independent claim fees, triggering the "Notice." As a result of this response, claim 31 has been amended to correct the typographical error, so now there are 25 claims, with only 4 independent claims. In particular, claim 31 as re-submitted herein now recites the laser digitizer "as described in claim 30." (This new wording has not been underscored because the claim is submitted as "new" and Mr. Lawrence (of the TSS) indicated that the claim submitted on April 7, 2006 had not yet been entered).

The additional claim fees (\$225) submitted on April 7, 2006 are now sufficient and correct.

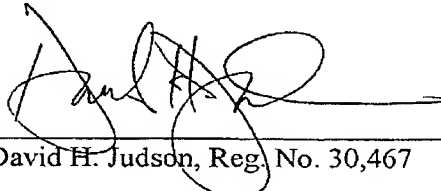
In reviewing the claims here, a typographical error was also noticed in claim 1 as submitted on April 7, 2006. In particular, the phrase "the pattern" in line 6 should have been just "pattern." That error has also been rectified.

The drawing and written description amendments presented in the April 7, 2006 submission are incorporated herein by reference, as are the original REMARKS that were previously submitted.

The undersigned apologizes for any inconvenience to the Examiner caused by these errors.

Respectfully submitted,

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